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## TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION (37 CFR § 1.321(c))

Dear Sir:

- 1. Name of Assignee: Hewlett-Packard Company Address of Assignee: Fort Collins, Colorado 80527
- 2. The Assignee certifies to the best of Assignee's knowledge and belief that Assignee has the entire right, title, and whole interest in and to the above referenced patent application, and represent that the

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In making the above disclaimer, disclaimant does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 of the prior United States Patent No. 6,173,248 in the event that it later: expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321, has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued in any matter or is terminated prior to expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

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10970905-2 Examiner: Phan, Thai Q. 6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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